WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1		1.	A patient healthcare management system having a capability				
2	to evaluate pat	to evaluate patient kidney function, the system configured to:					
3		receiv	e input defining a patient's medical record including the				
4	patient's demo	patient's demographic information, medical condition and diagnosis;					
5		calculate the patient's estimated glomerular filtration rate based on					
6	the patient's medical record;						
7	output at least one medical treatment recommendation wherein the						
8	recommendation is based on the patient's medical record and estimated glomerular						
9	filtration rate; and						
10		calcula	ate and output at least one treatment goal for the patient.				
1		2.	The system of claim 1 wherein the at least one treatment goal				
2	for the patient	for the patient comprises at least one of:					
3		a goal blood pressure, a goal lipid level, a goal cholesterol level and					
4	a goal hemoglo	bin A	IC level.				
1	\$KT	3.	The system of claim 1 additionally configured to receive input				
2	specifying a tre	eatmen	t for the patient.				
1		4.	The system of claim 1 additionally configured to output an				
2	indication as to	indication as to whether, based on the patient's medical record, the at least one					
3	medical treatm	ent goa	al has been met.				
1	;	5.	The system of claim 1 wherein a plurality of clinical treatment				
2	algorithms are applied to the patient's medical record to generate the at least one						
3	treatment recor	nmend	ation and the at least one patient treatment goal.				
1	(5.	The system of claim 1 additionally configured to:				
2	1	eceive	input specifying a patient's current medication(s);				
3		eceive	input specifying a new prescription for the patient; and				

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4	generate an alert if the prescribed medication may antagonize a						
5	medication the patient is currently taking.						
1	7. The system of claim 1 further configured to:						
2	receive input defining a plurality of patient medical records						
3	comprising patient demographic information, medical condition, diagnosis and						
4	treatment;						
5	receive input defining at least one medical record parameter to extract						
6	from the plurality of medical records; and						
7	automatically generate a report containing an aggregate of the at least						
8	one medical record parameter extracted from the plurality of medical records.						
1	8. The system of claim 7 further configured to receive input						
2	defining a subset of the plurality of patient medical records from which to extract						
3	the at least one medical record parameter.						
1	9. The system of claim 1 additionally configured to receive						
2	input, for each patient encounter with his or her healthcare provider, defining the						
3	patient encounter wherein each defined patient encounter is appended to the patient's						
4	medical record.						
1	10. A computer-implemented patient healthcare management						
2	method involving the evaluation of patient kidney function, the method comprising:						
3	defining a patient's medical record including the patient's						
4	demographic information, medical condition and diagnosis;						
5	calculating the patient's estimated glomerular filtration rate based on						
6	the patient's medical record;						
7	automatically generating at least one medical treatment						
8	recommendation based on the patient's medical record and estimated glomerular						
9	filtration rate; and						

calculating at least one treatment goal for the patient.

1	\$ \$\$?	11.	The method of claim 10 wherein the at least one treatment			
2	goal for the patient comprises at least one of a goal blood pressure level, a goal lipid					
3	level, a goal	cholest	erol level and a goal hemoglobin AlC level.			
1		12.	The method of claim 10 further comprising specifying a			
2	treatment for	r the par				
1		13.	The method of claim 10 further comprising indicating			
2	whether, based on the patient's medical record, the at least one patient treatment					
3	goal has been	n met.				
1		14.	The method of claim 10 wherein a plurality of clinical			
2	treatment algorithms are applied to the patient's medical record to generate the at					
3	least one trea	atment r	ecommendation and the at least one patient treatment goal.			
1		15.	The method of claim 10 further comprising:			
2		specif	ying the patient's current medications;			
3	13 ¢ ^	specif	ying a new prescription for the patient; and			
4		gener	ating an alert if the prescribed medication may antagonize a			
5	medication th		nt is currently taking.			
1		16.	The method of claim 10 further comprising:			
2		defini	ng a plurality of patient medical records comprising patient			
3	demographic information, medical condition, diagnosis and treatment;					
4		defini	ng at least one medical record parameter to extract from the			
5	plurality of medical records; and					
6		autom	atically generating a report containing an aggregate of the at			
7	least one med		ord parameter extracted from the plurality of medical records.			
1		17.	The method of claim 16 further comprising defining a subset			
2	of the plurality of patient medical records from which to extract the at least one					
3	medical record parameter.					

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1	18. The method of claim 10 further comprising defining each					
2	patient encounter with his or her healthcare provider wherein the defined patient					
3	encounter is appended to the patient's medical record.					
1	 A computer-based system for interactively managing patien 					
2	healthcare and evaluating patient kidney function, the system comprising:					
3	a means for defining a patient's medical record;					
4	a means for establishing the patient's estimated glomerular filtration					
5	rate based on the patient's medical record;					
6	a means for generating at least one patient treatment recommendation					
7	based on the patient's medical record and estimated glomerular filtration rate; and					
8	a means for calculating at least one treatment goal for the patient.					

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